

Application No. 10/753,728
Attorney Docket No. 133538 (GECZ 2 00695)
Response to Office Action dated April 17, 2007

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 7.

Please amend claims 1, 6, 10 and 16 as follows.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A lamp comprising
a lamp base with a stem comprising two leads, a free portion of the leads extending from the stem substantially parallel to each other and defining a first plane,
a translucent outer envelope,
a halogen inner lamp light source having a pinched end defining a second plane, the pinched end being located in the vicinity of the stem, wherein the pinched end is inserted between the free portions of the leads,
a lead through-foil electrically connecting one of the leads to the light source, the second plane defined by the pinched end being generally parallel with a third plane defined by the lead-through foil,
the first plane defined by the free portions of the leads being substantially perpendicular to the second plane defined by the pinched end.
2. (Original) The lamp of claim 1, in which the free portion of a first lead has a length different from the free portion of a second lead.
3. (Original) The lamp of claim 1, in which the pinched end carries a strap attached to the free portion of one of the leads.
4. (Previously Presented) The lamp of claim 3, in which the strap is attached to one of the leads having a longer free portion.

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5. (Cancelled).

6. (Currently Amended) The lamp of claim 1, in which the pinched end of the inner lamp comprises ~~[[a]]~~ the lead-through foil.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Original) The lamp of claim 1, in which the inner lamp comprises a further pinched end.

9. (Original) The lamp of claim 1, in which the pinched end encloses two inner leads.

10. (Currently Amended) A method for manufacturing a lamp having an inner lamp covered by an outer envelope, the lamp comprising a lamp base with a stem comprising two leads, with a free portion of the leads extending from the stem and defining a first plane, further the inner lamp comprising a pinched end defining a second plane, further the lamp comprising a lead-through foil defining a third plane,

comprising the steps of attaching the inner lamp directly or indirectly to the stem, while connecting inner leads of the inner lamp to the leads in the stem, the lead-through foil electrically connecting one inner lead to one stem lead, and subsequently sealing the outer envelope to the stem,

the step of attaching the inner lamp to the stem further comprises the steps of positioning the pinched end of the inner lamp with the second plane substantially perpendicularly to the first plane,

positioning the pinched end of the inner lamp with the second plane substantially parallel to the third plane,

positioning the pinched end between the free portions, and attaching the pinched end to the free portion of a lead.

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11. (Original) The method of claim 10, comprising the step of providing a mechanical connection between the pinched end and the lead, in which the mechanical connection substantially relieves any mechanical load from the inner leads of the inner lamp.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Original) The method of claim 11, comprising the step of providing a strap around the pinched end, and attaching the strap to the free portion of a lead.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, comprising the step of trimming the free portions to different lengths.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14, comprising the step of attaching the strap to the longer free portion.

16. (Currently Amended) A lamp comprising
a lamp base with a stem comprising first and second extending leads, a first portion of the leads being received in the stem and a second free portion of the leads extending from the stem substantially parallel to each other and defining a first plane, the free portion of the first lead having a longer linear length than the free portion of the second lead;

a translucent outer envelope; and

a halogen inner lamp light source having a pinched end and defining a second plane, the pinched end being located in the vicinity of the stem, wherein the pinched end is attached to the free portion of the first lead, and the pinched end is positioned below an end of the free portion of the first lead; and

a lead through foil electrically connecting one of the leads to the light source and defining a third plane.

wherein the first plane is generally perpendicular to the second plane, wherein

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the second plane is generally parallel with the third plane.

17. (Previously Presented) The lamp of claim 16, in which the pinched end includes a strap attached to the free portion of the first lead.

18. (Previously Presented) The lamp of claim 17, in which the strap is configured to substantially surround the pinched end.

19. (Cancelled).

20. (Cancelled).